

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MONTEVIDEO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7093

INFO AMEMBASSY ASUNCION

AMEMBASSY BRASILIA

AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

AMEMBASSY LA PAZ

UNCLAS MONTEVIDEO 2229

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS:SWEL, UY

SUBJ: MENINGITIS SITUATION IN URUGUAY

REF: MVD 2167 AND 2174

1. ON AUGUST 2 THE GOU SET UP AN INTER-MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF INTERIOR, DEFENSE, AND PUBLIC HEALTH TO COORDINATE THE GOVERNMENT'S REACTION TO THE THREAT POSED BY THE OUTBREAK OF MENINGITIS IN BRAZIL. THIS COMMITTEE, WHICH FOCUSES ON DETECTION AND TREATMENT OF THE DISEASE, CLAIMS THAT AT THE PRESENT TIME THERE ARE NO MORE CASES OF MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS IN URUGUAY THAN IS NORMAL. THE COMMITTEE HAS NOT RELEASED INFORMATION ON WHETHER THE KNOWN CASES ARE TYPE A OR C.

2. THE EMBASSY MEDICAL ADVISER SAYS THAT AS OF AUGUST 6, FIVE CONFIRMED CASES OF MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS EXISTED AND THAT THIS NUMBER IS AT OR BELOW THE NORMAL INCIDENCE OF SUCH MENINGITIS.

3. A LEADING PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY HAS TOLD THE EMBASSY THAT IT HAS ON HAND AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF ANTIBIOTICS FOR ANY CONTINGENCY.

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4. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, EMBASSY SEES NO CAUSE FOR CONCERN AT  
THIS TIME, BUT WILL CONTINUE WATCHING SITUATION CLOSELY.  
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